

CT Municipal Electric Energy Cooperative
Job Posting
Municipal Electric Consumer Advocate

The CT Municipal Electric Energy Cooperative (CMEEC) a public power joint action agency that provides and manages the electric power requirements of several municipal utilities and participating wholesale customers, seeks an independent advocate for consumer interests in all matters which may affect CMEEC Members, including, but not limited to, electric cost allocations. This position is authorized pursuant to Public Act No. 17-73. Costs related to the Municipal Electric Consumer Advocate, including, but not limited to, hourly fees and necessary expenses shall be paid for by CMEEC. The annual amount of such costs shall not exceed seventy thousand dollars (\$70,000) for the first year and fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) for each year thereafter, unless there is a demonstration of substantial need made by the Municipal Electric Consumer Advocate and approved by CMEEC Board of Directors.

By statute, the Municipal Electric Consumer Advocate may appear and participate in CMEEC matters or any other federal or state regulatory or judicial proceeding in which the interests of CMEEC Member may be involved. The Municipal Electric Consumer Advocate, in carrying out his or her duties, shall: (1) Have access to the records of CMEEC, (2) have the right to make a reasonable number of copies of CMEEC records, (3) be entitled to call upon the assistance of CMEEC's technical and legal experts, and (4) have the benefit of all other information of CMEEC, except for employment records and other internal documents that are not relevant to the duties of the Municipal Electric Consumer Advocate.

The Municipal Electric Consumer Advocate shall be a member of the bar of this state and shall have private legal experience in public utility law and policy but shall not be a member of CMEEC's Board of Directors or a person who has or may have conflicts of interest, as defined by the Rules of Professional Conduct, in representing CMEEC's Members as a class. Prior to November 1, 2017, and prior to November first in each odd-numbered year thereafter, the Consumer Counsel, appointed pursuant to section 16-2a of the general statutes, shall select the Municipal Electric Consumer Advocate to serve for a two-year term commencing on the following first day of January. The Municipal Electric Consumer Advocate may be terminated by the Consumer Counsel prior to the completion of a two-year term only for misconduct, material neglect of duty or incompetence. The Municipal Electric Consumer Advocate shall be independent of CMEEC's Board of Directors and may not be removed by CMEEC's Board of Directors for any reason. CMEEC's Board of Directors shall not direct or oversee the activities of the Municipal Electric Consumer Advocate. CMEEC's Board of Directors shall

cooperate with reasonable requests of the Municipal Electric Consumer Advocate to enable the Municipal Electric Consumer Advocate to effectively perform his or her duties and functions.

The Municipal Electric Consumer Advocate shall prepare reports of his or her activities and submit such reports at the end of each calendar quarter to CMEEC's Chief Executive Officer and Board of Directors, the chief elected official of each Member's legislative body receiving service from CMEEC, and to the Consumer Counsel. Such quarterly reports shall be posted on the Internet web sites of CMEEC and the Consumer Counsel. The Municipal Electric Consumer Advocate shall hold an annual public forum on the second Wednesday of October each year at a location where CMEEC holds Board of Directors Meetings, for the purpose of describing the recent activities of the Municipal Electric Consumer Advocate and receiving feedback from CMEEC Members. CMEEC shall publicize the public forum through an announcement at the preceding scheduled meeting of CMEEC, on its Internet web site, posted at the CMEEC Member's municipality, and in a notice on or attached to its Member bills. The Municipal Electric Consumer Advocate may hold additional public forums as he or she deems necessary.

Application Instructions: Interested candidates should submit an application with a resume, a cover letter describing the candidate's relevant experience in public utility law and policy and consumer advocacy; a writing sample; two references; and a written certification that the candidate does not have any conflicts of interest, as defined by the Rules of Professional Conduct, in representing CMEEC Members as a class.

Applications should be submitted to:

Consumer Counsel Elin Katz
c/o Veronica Maas
10 Franklin Square
New Britain, CT 06051-2605
veronica.maas@ct.gov

Applications must be received by October 13, 2017. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

Candidates will be required to submit a Certificate of Good Standing with disciplinary history from the Connecticut Statewide Grievance Committee prior to finalization of selection.

CMEEC is an Equal Opportunity Employer and does not unlawfully discriminate against any applicant on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, sexual orientation, gender identity, genetic information, or any other class protected by federal or state law.